GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5234
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EXPORT QUOTA OF COTTON
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) Whether Textile Commissioner, Mumbai failed to enforce the conditions of agreement for export of cotton and forfeit the bank guarantee resulting in non-recovery of penalty of Rs.3.82 crores for non-fulfillment of export obligations besides compensation of 24% of the bank guarantee during 1995-96;

(b) if so, whether the mater has been investigated and fixed responsibilities in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken against them; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAYA KUMAR)

(a): The Office of Textile Commissioner, Mumbai, could not forfeit the bank guarantee in four cases of export of raw cotton of 1995-96 cotton season resulting in non- recovery of penalty of Rs.3.82 crore. To recover the penalty together with interest of 24% thereon, the Textile Commissioner has filed summary suits in the High Court of Judicature, Mumbai.

(b) to (d): To fix responsibility, a preliminary inquiry was conducted and on the basis of the findings of the preliminary inquiry report further action has been initiated as per laid down procedures.